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- 1. International Search Report issued by the International Searching Authority (ISA/AU) on May 17, 2004 in connection with International Application No. PCT/AU2004/000416 (Exhibit 1);
- 2. International Publication No. WO 2001/004268 A1, MEDVET SCIENCE PTY LTD, published January 18, 2001 (Exhibit 2);
- Shi S, Robey PG, and Gronthos S. (2001) Comparison of Human Dental Pulp and Bone Marrow Stromal Cells by cDNA Microarray Analysis. Bone 29(6): 532-539 (Exhibit 3);

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- 5. Gronthos S, Brahim J, Li W, Fisher LW, Cherman N, Boyde A, DenBesten P, Gehron Robey P, and Shi S. (2002) Stem Cell Properties of Human Dental Pulp Stem Cells. J. Dent. Res. 81(8): 531-535 (Exhibit 5); and
- 6. International Preliminary Report on Patentability issued by the International Bureau of WIPO on October 1, 2005 in connection with International Application No. PCT/AU2004/000416 (Exhibit 1).

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